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Abu Hassan-Anwar

FOUR DIVISIONS SUBMIT REPORTS ON PLOT TO TOPPLE DR M

SHAH ALAM, Oct 5 (Bernama) -- The four divisions in Selangor alleged to have received financial allocations and monthly allowances from sacked Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim to topple Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad have submitted their reports to Menteri Besar Datuk Abu Hassan Omar.

Abu Hassan said the division chiefs also met him personally to explain the actual situation.

"After hearing their explanations, I'm convinced that the divisions did not receive financial aid from anyone to overthrow Dr Mahathir," he said.

He urged Umno members or leaders who have information on the matter involving Umno divisions in Selangor to report directly at tomorrow's Supreme Council meeting chaired by Dr Mahathir.

Abu Hassan, who is also Selangor Umno Liaison chief, was speaking to reporters after attending a briefing on Information Technology here today.

Last Thursday, Abu Hassan had asked the Kuala Langat, Gombak, Ampang Jaya and Sabak Bernam divisions to submit a report to him following allegations that some members in the divisions received financial aid to carry out subversive activities in Umno to topple Dr Mahathir.

On Information Technology, Abu Hassan said the state government had allocated RM2 million to draw up a blueprint on IT development in Selangor.

He said Darul Ehsan Multimedia had been entrusted with the task of drawing up the masterplan which is expected to be ready by end of this year.

The masterplan would detail out all aspects of IT development which could be carried out by the public and private sectors, he said.

Abu Hassan also said the state government had allocated RM3.9 million to tackle the millennium bug (Y2K) problem.

He said the State Economic Planning Unit would embark on the Y2K compliance programme from August to December next year.

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